

SPEECH - Jan. 5  
Salute to U.S.  
Senate

TO: Senator Dole  
FR: Kerry

\*Attached is agenda and draft talking points for tonight's Freedom Forum Dinner.

\*You and Daschle have both been asked to give 3-5 minutes of remarks at conclusion of dinner.

\*The Freedom Forum is part of a \$700 million endowment established by the Gannett organization. It funds programs which explain the role of the media in our society...Programs include a Media Studies Center at Columbia University and a First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University.

\*In 1997 the Forum also plan on opening a "World Center" in Arlington which will include a "Newseum"--a museum highlighting the history of newspapers and the free press. At the dinner, Mr. Neuharth will also announce a new yearlong study of Congress and the media.

Senator - New schedule for tonight

**WORKING AGENDA**

**Salute to the United States Senate and its New Leadership  
January 5, 1995**

- 7:45** Dinner Chimes/Guests called to be seated
- 8:00** Invocation  
Dr. Richard C. Halverson, Senate Chaplain
- 8:02** Charles L. Overby - Welcome and Introduction of Former Senate  
Majority Leader and Master of Ceremonies Howard H. Baker Jr. (3 min.)
- 8:05** Howard H. Baker Jr. - Introductory Remarks  
and Introduction of Chairman of The Freedom Forum  
Allen H. Neuharth (5 min.)
- 8:10** Allen H. Neuharth - Announcement of The Freedom Forum's  
Congress and the Media Project (5 min.)
- 8:15** Howard H. Baker Jr. - Introduces other VIPs present and encourages  
guests to enjoy their dinner
- 8:20** DINNER
- 9:00** Howard H. Baker Jr. - Introduces and Salutes Senate Minority  
Leader Thomas A. Daschle (D-SD) (3 min.)
- 9:03** Thomas A. Daschle - Brief Remarks (5 min.)
- 9:08** Howard H. Baker Jr. - Introduces and Salutes Senate Majority Leader  
Robert Dole (R-KS) (3 min.)
- 9:11** Robert Dole - Brief Remarks (5 min.)
- 9:30** Howard H. Baker Jr. - Closing (3 min.)

\*Please note that all times are approximate.

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**SENATOR BOB DOLE  
TALKING POINTS  
FREEDOM FORUM SALUTE TO  
SENATE LEADERSHIP**

**THIS IS TRULY A TIME OF  
CHANGE IN WASHINGTON.  
YESTERDAY, THE REPUBLICANS  
TOOK OVER CONGRESS FOR THE  
FIRST TIME IN 40 YEARS, AND  
TONIGHT, BOB DOLE IS BEING  
SALUTED BY AN ORGANIZATION  
SUPPORTED BY AMERICA'S  
NEWSPAPERS.**

**YESTERDAY WAS OBVIOUSLY A  
DAY THAT WAS FULL OF VERY  
SPECIAL MOMENTS. AS SOMEONE  
WHO HAD JUST ABOUT GIVEN UP  
HOPE OF SEEING A REPUBLICAN  
CONTROLLED HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES IN MY LIFETIME, I  
COULDN'T HELP BUT WALK OVER  
AND WATCH SOME OF THE HOUSE  
PROCEEDINGS.**

**AND CERTAINLY ONE OF THE  
MOST ENJOYABLE MOMENTS FOR  
ME WAS WATCHING HOWARD  
BAKER ESCORT BOTH OF  
TENNESSEE'S NEW REPUBLICAN  
SENATORS DOWN THE AISLE TO  
TAKE THEIR OATH OF OFFICE.**

**SENATOR THOMPSON AND  
SENATOR FRIST ARE JUST TWO OF  
MANY PEOPLE IN THIS TOWN WHO  
REGARD HOWARD AS A MENTOR  
AND A ROLE MODEL, AND I'M**

**HONORED BY HIS PRESENCE HERE  
THIS EVENING.**

**THANKS ALSO TO ALAN  
NEUHARTH, CHARLES OVERBY, AND  
THE FREEDOM FORUM FOR HOSTING  
THIS EVENING'S DINNER.**

**THE FREEDOM FORUM'S  
SPONSORSHIP OF THIS DINNER IS  
FITTING, AS THROUGHOUT  
AMERICA'S HISTORY, CONGRESS  
AND THE PRESS HAVE HAD TO**

**LEARN TO LIVE WITH ONE  
ANOTHER.**

**IN FACT, I UNDERSTAND THAT  
WHEN THE FREEDOM FORUM'S  
"NEWSEUM" IS COMPLETED, ONE  
OF THE FIRST EXHIBITS WILL BE A  
COPY OF POOR RICHARD'S  
ALMANAC WHICH CONTAINS A  
TRANSCRIPT OF THE INTERVIEW  
BEN FRANKLIN CONDUCTED WITH  
STROM THURMOND.**

**THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
CONGRESS AND THE PRESS HAS  
SOMTIMES BEEN GOOD...AND  
SOMETIMES IT'S BEEN ROCKY.**

**ONE THING I KNOW FOR SURE IS  
THAT THE DAYS AND WEEKS  
AHEAD WILL PROVIDE GOOD COPY  
FOR AMERICA'S NEWSPAPERS. NO  
DOUBT ABOUT IT, CAPITOL HILL IS  
CERTAINLY THE PLACE TO BE IF  
YOU'RE A JOURNALIST IN  
WASHINGTON. AND I'M HEARING**



**FROM A LOT OF NEWSWRITERS  
WHO USED TO COMPLAIN THAT  
THE CAPITOL HILL BEAT WASN'T AS  
EXCITING AS THE WHITE HOUSE  
BEAT--BUT WHO ARE NOW  
CHANGING THEIR TUNE.**

**EVEN THOUGH THE ONLY  
PERSON I EVER ASKED NOT TO  
VOTE FOR ME WAS THE EDITOR OF  
A NEWSPAPER, I HAVE ALWAYS  
BELIEVED THAT DEMOCRACY**

**COULD NOT SURVIVE WITHOUT A  
FREE PRESS.**

**I KNOW SENATOR DASCHLE  
SHARES THAT BELIEF, AND WE  
ALSO SHARE A BELIEF THAT  
ADVANCES IN TECHNOLOGY THAT  
BRING AMERICANS CLOSER TO  
THEIR GOVERNMENT IN ACTION  
SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED.**

**AND YESTERDAY, THE TWO OF  
US INTRODUCED TWO  
RESOLUTIONS TO INCREASE PUBLIC**

**ACCESS TO THE PROCEEDINGS OF  
CONGRESS--A SENATE RESOLUTION  
WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE  
ELECTRONIC MEDIA TO COVER THE  
MAJORITY LEADER'S AND  
MINORITY LEADER'S SO-CALLED  
"DUG-OUT" BRIEFINGS; AND A  
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION WHICH  
WOULD PERMIT COVERAGE BY  
TELEVISION CAMERAS OF ALL  
OPEN HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS.**

**IT WAS NEARLY 206 YEARS AGO  
WHEN THE FIRST CONGRESS MET IN  
NEW YORK CITY. AND MUCH OF  
THEIR WORK WAS DEVOTED TO  
WRITING THE BILL OF RIGHTS--THE  
FIRST TEN AMENDMENTS TO OUR  
CONSTITUTION.**

**THE FIRST OF THOSE, OF  
COURSE, IS THE AMENDMENT THAT  
THE FREEDOM FOUNDATION  
PROTECTS, ADVANCES, AND HELPS  
TO ENSURE WILL NEVER BE**

**FORGOTTEN.**

**THERE IS, HOWEVER, ANOTHER  
AMENDMENT WHICH HAS BEEN  
FORGOTTEN BY MANY, AND HAS  
BEEN GATHERING DUST FOR QUITE  
SOME TIME--AND THAT'S THE 10TH  
AMENDMENT.**

**ALLOW ME TO READ IT TO YOU  
NOW: "THE POWERS NOT  
DELEGATED TO THE UNITED STATES  
BY THE CONSTITUTION, NOR  
PROHIBITED BY IT TO THE STATES,**

**ARE RESERVED TO THE STATES,  
RESPECTIVELY, OR TO THE PEOPLE."**

**THAT IS THE CONCEPT OF  
FEDERALISM--A CONCEPT THAT  
HAS GIVEN WAY OVER THE YEARS  
TO PATERNALISM. AND IF I HAVE  
ONE GOAL FOR THE 104TH  
CONGRESS, IT IS THAT WE WILL  
DUST OFF THE 10TH AMENDMENT  
AND RESTORE IT TO ITS RIGHTFUL  
PLACE IN OUR CONSTITUTION.**

**I'VE BEEN AROUND THIS TOWN  
FOR QUITE A WHILE, BUT I'VE  
NEVER BEEN MORE EXCITED ABOUT  
A CONGRESS THAN THIS ONE. AS I  
SAID YESTERDAY, AMERICANS  
HAVE BEEN VOTING IN  
CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS FOR  
TWO CENTURIES. SOME HAVE  
MADE VERY LITTLE DIFFERENCE, BUT  
OTHERS HAVE BEEN TURNING  
POINTS IN HISTORY. I BELIEVE  
NOVEMBER'S ELECTION WAS JUST**

**SUCH A TURNING POINT.**

**I LOOK FORWARD TO PLAYING A  
ROLE IN THIS TURNING POINT, AND  
TO WORKING WITH OUR GREAT  
FREE PRESS IN REPORTING THE  
PROGRESS WE MAKE IN OUR  
MISSION TO GIVE GOVERNMENT  
BACK TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.**



**COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM**



**A SALUTE TO  
THE UNITED STATES  
SENATE LEADERSHIP**

**JANUARY 5, 1995**

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In 1997, The Newseum will open in Arlington, Va., at The Freedom Forum World Center. The Newseum — a one-of-a kind facility devoted to the past, present and future of news — constitutes the largest educational effort in the foundation's 60-year history.

The Freedom Forum does not solicit or accept contributions. Its work is supported by an endowment established by Frank E. Gannett in 1935 that has grown to more than \$700 million in diversified, managed assets.

**PROGRAM**

**SALUTE TO THE**

*United States  
Senate  
and its  
New Leadership*

**JANUARY 5, 1995**

Welcome by  
**CHARLES L. OVERBY**

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE FREEDOM FORUM

Introductory Remarks  
**HOWARD H. BAKER JR.**

MASTER OF CEREMONIES AND FORMER SENATE MAJORITY LEADER

Special Announcement  
**ALLEN H. NEUHARTH**  
CHAIRMAN, THE FREEDOM FORUM

Dinner

Introduction by Howard H. Baker Jr. and remarks by  
**THOMAS A. DASCHLE**  
SENATE MINORITY LEADER

Introduction by Howard H. Baker Jr. and remarks by  
**ROBERT J. DOLE**  
SENATE MAJORITY LEADER

Closing

## ROBERT J. DOLE

R-KANSAS  
SENATE MAJORITY LEADER



Bob Dole is the second person in Senate history to regain the majority leader's position. (The first was Robert C. Byrd, D-West Virginia.) Dole was majority leader for two years beginning in 1985. Then, after the Republicans lost their Senate majority in 1986, he became minority leader. As a result of the GOP's comeback last November, he's now back at the helm.

Dole, 71, is a native of Russell, Kan. He attended the universities of Kansas and Arizona before enlisting in the Army during World War II. Twice wounded in combat and decorated for heroism, he was discharged after the war with the rank of captain.

After graduating from Topeka's Washburn Municipal University and its law school, Dole turned to politics. He was elected to the Kansas Legislature, to the position of county attorney in Russell County and to the U.S. House of Representatives. After four terms in the House, he successfully ran for the Senate in 1968. Before being re-elected to the Senate in 1974, he served for two years as chairman of the Republican Party. And in 1976, President Ford selected Dole to be his vice presidential running mate.

Dole was an unsuccessful candidate for the GOP presidential nomination in 1980 and 1988. But last November, Kansas voters re-elected him to a fifth Senate term.

Dole is married to the former Mary Elizabeth Hanford and has a daughter from a previous marriage.

## THOMAS A. DASCHLE

D-SOUTH DAKOTA  
SENATE MINORITY LEADER



Tom Daschle was elected Senate minority leader on Dec. 2, one week shy of his 47th birthday. He is the third-youngest senator to serve in a leadership post since 1920.

A native of Aberdeen, S.D., Daschle graduated from South Dakota State University in 1969 with a B.A. in political science. After three years as an Air Force intelligence officer, he worked as legislative assistant and field staff director for then-Sen. James Abourezk (D-South Dakota). In 1978, Daschle won the first of four terms in the U.S. House of Representatives, where he was selected for the leadership post of regional whip. He won election to the Senate in 1986 and was re-elected six years later. Two years into his first term, he was named co-chairman of the Democratic Policy Committee — a position previously held exclusively by the Democratic Senate leader.

Daschle is married to the former Linda Hall and has three children from a previous marriage.

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"... and I maintain that the news media distort the issues... distortion, I believe, should be left to professionals, like myself!"

From the J. Arthur Wood Collection, National Foundation for Caricature and Cartoon Art.

## MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

MAJORITY LEADERS	YEARS	MINORITY LEADERS	YEARS
<b>Henry Cabot Lodge</b> R-Massachusetts	1920-24	<b>Oscar W. Underwood</b> D-Alabama	1920-23
<b>Charles Curtis</b> R-Kansas	1924-29	<b>Joseph T. Robinson</b> D-Arkansas	1923-33
<b>James E. Watson</b> R-Indiana	1929-33	<b>Charles L. McNary</b> R-Oregon	1933-44
<b>Joseph T. Robinson</b> D-Arkansas	1933-37	<b>Wallace H. White Jr.</b> R-Maine	1945-47
<b>Alben W. Barkley</b> D-Kentucky	1937-47	<b>Alben W. Barkley</b> D-Kentucky	1947-49
<b>Wallace H. White Jr.</b> R-Maine	1947-49	<b>Kenneth S. Wherry</b> R-Nebraska	1949-51
<b>Scott W. Lucas</b> D-Illinois	1949-51	<b>Styles Bridges</b> R-New Hampshire	1952-53
<b>Ernest W. McFarland</b> D-Arizona	1951-53	<b>Lyndon Baines Johnson</b> D-Texas	1953-55
<b>Robert A. Taft</b> R-Ohio	1953	<b>William F. Knowland</b> R-California	1955-59
<b>William F. Knowland</b> R-California	1953-55	<b>Everett McKinley Dirksen</b> R-Illinois	1959-69
<b>Lyndon Baines Johnson</b> D-Texas	1955-61	<b>Hugh D. Scott Jr.</b> R-Pennsylvania	1969-77
<b>Mike Mansfield</b> D-Montana	1961-77	<b>Howard H. Baker Jr.</b> R-Tennessee	1977-81
<b>Robert C. Byrd</b> D-West Virginia	1977-81	<b>Robert C. Byrd</b> D-West Virginia	1981-87
<b>Howard H. Baker Jr.</b> R-Tennessee	1981-85	<b>Robert J. Dole</b> R-Kansas	1987-95
<b>Robert J. Dole</b> R-Kansas	1985-87	<b>Thomas A. Daschle</b> D-South Dakota	1995 —
<b>Robert C. Byrd</b> D-West Virginia	1987-89		
<b>George J. Mitchell</b> D-Maine	1989-95		
<b>Robert J. Dole</b> R-Kansas	1995 —		

## SENATE MAJORITY LEADERS

PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE SENATE HISTORICAL OFFICE

### HENRY CABOT LODGE, 1920-24

R-MASSACHUSETTS



- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN\*: 68
- PRESIDENTS: Wilson, Harding, Coolidge
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1893-1924
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: died while conference chairman



### CHARLES CURTIS, 1924-29

R-KANSAS

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 64
- PRESIDENT: Coolidge
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1907-13; 1915-29
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: vice president in the Hoover administration



### JAMES E. WATSON, 1929-33

R-INDIANA

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 65
- PRESIDENT: Hoover
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1916-33
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: lawyer in Washington, D.C.

\*Until the third decade of this century, the two primary political parties elected chairmen of their respective Senate conferences, but they did not designate floor leaders. In 1920, the Democrats selected Oscar W. Underwood to be the first minority leader. At the time, Henry Cabot Lodge was serving as chairman of the Republican majority's conference. Upon Lodge's death in 1924, he was succeeded by Charles Curtis. A year later, Curtis became the first Republican to be named floor leader.

## SENATE MAJORITY LEADERS

### JOSEPH T. ROBINSON, 1933-37

D-ARKANSAS



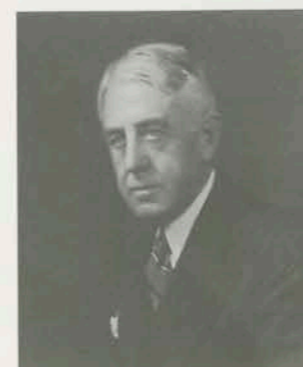
- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 60
- PRESIDENT: Roosevelt
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1913-37
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: died while majority leader



### ALBEN W. BARKLEY, 1937-47

D-KENTUCKY

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 59
- PRESIDENTS: Roosevelt, Truman
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1927-49; 1955-56
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: minority leader, 1947-49; vice president in the Truman administration; re-elected U.S. senator



### WALLACE H. WHITE JR., 1947-49

R-MAINE

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 69
- PRESIDENT: Truman
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1931-49
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: retired

SENATE MAJORITY LEADERS

**SCOTT W. LUCAS, 1949-51**

D-ILLINOIS

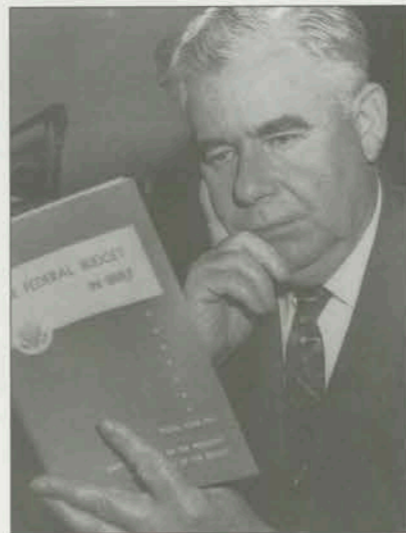


- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 56
- PRESIDENT: Truman
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1939-51
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: lawyer and lobbyist

**ERNEST W. MCFARLAND, 1951-53**

D-ARIZONA

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 56
- PRESIDENT: Truman
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1941-53
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: Arizona governor, Arizona State Supreme Court justice and chief justice



**ROBERT A. TAFT, 1953**

R-OHIO

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 63
- PRESIDENT: Eisenhower
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1939-53
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: died while majority leader

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**WILLIAM F. KNOWLAND, 1953-55**

R-CALIFORNIA

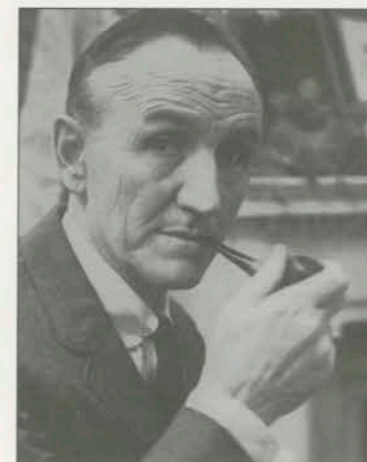


- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 45
- PRESIDENT: Eisenhower
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1945-59
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: minority leader, 1955-59; editor and publisher of the *Oakland Tribune*

**LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON, 1955-61**

D-TEXAS

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 46
- PRESIDENT: Eisenhower
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1949-61
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: vice president in the Kennedy administration; sworn in as president after Kennedy was assassinated; elected president in 1964



**MIKE MANSFIELD, 1961-77**

D-MONTANA

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 57
- PRESIDENTS: Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Ford
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1953-77
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: U.S. ambassador to Japan under Carter and Reagan

SENATE MAJORITY LEADERS

**ROBERT C. BYRD, 1977-81**

D-WEST VIRGINIA



- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 59
- PRESIDENT: Carter
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1959 —
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: minority leader, 1981-87; majority leader, 1987-89; continues as senator

**HOWARD H. BAKER JR., 1981-85**

R-TENNESSEE



- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 55
- PRESIDENT: Reagan
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1967-85
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: White House chief of staff under Reagan, 1987-88

**ROBERT J. DOLE, 1985-87**

R-KANSAS

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 61
- PRESIDENT: Reagan
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1969 —
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: minority leader, 1987-95; majority leader, 1995 —



SENATE MAJORITY LEADERS

**ROBERT C. BYRD, 1987-89**

D-WEST VIRGINIA

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 69
- PRESIDENT: Reagan
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: continues as senator

**GEORGE J. MITCHELL, 1989-95**

D-MAINE



- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 55
- PRESIDENTS: Bush, Clinton
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1980-95
- AFTER MAJORITY LEADERSHIP: retired

**ROBERT J. DOLE, 1995 —**

R-KANSAS

- AGE ELECTED MAJORITY LEADER: 71
- PRESIDENT: Clinton

## SENATE MINORITY LEADERS

PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE SENATE HISTORICAL OFFICE

### OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD, 1920-23

D-ALABAMA



- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 57
- PRESIDENTS: Wilson, Harding, Coolidge
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1915-27
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: served in Senate four more years; delegate to Sixth International Conference of American States, 1928

### JOSEPH T. ROBINSON, 1923-33

D-ARKANSAS

- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 51
- PRESIDENTS: Coolidge, Hoover
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: majority leader, 1933-37

### CHARLES L. MCNARY, 1933-44

R-OREGON



- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 58
- PRESIDENT: Roosevelt
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1917-44
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: died while serving as minority leader

## SENATE MINORITY LEADERS

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- PRESIDENTS: Roosevelt, Truman
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D-KENTUCKY

- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 69
- PRESIDENT: Truman
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### KENNETH S. WHERRY, 1949-51

R-NEBRASKA



- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 56
- PRESIDENT: Truman
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1943-51
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: died while minority leader

### STYLES BRIDGES, 1952-53

R-NEW HAMPSHIRE

- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 53
- PRESIDENT: Truman
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1937-61
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: Senate president pro tempore





SENATE MINORITY LEADERS

**LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON, 1953-55**

D-TEXAS

- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 44
- PRESIDENT: Eisenhower
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: majority leader, 1955-61

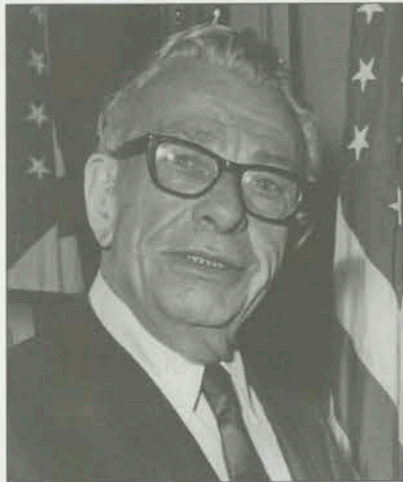
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- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: editor and publisher of the *Oakland Tribune*

**EVERETT MCKINLEY DIRKSEN, 1959-69**

R-ILLINOIS



- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 62
- PRESIDENTS: Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1951-69
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: died while minority leader

**HUGH D. SCOTT JR., 1969-77**

R-PENNSYLVANIA

- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 68
- PRESIDENTS: Nixon, Ford
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1959-77
- AFTER MINORITY LEADERSHIP: retired



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**THOMAS A. DASCHLE, 1995 —**

D-SOUTH DAKOTA



- AGE ELECTED MINORITY LEADER: 46
- PRESIDENT: Clinton
- YEARS IN SENATE: 1987 —

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

## MAJOR STUDY OF CONGRESS AND THE MEDIA

For all the media attention that is focused on the presidency, the coverage of Congress is meager.

The growing legions of press in Washington continue to emphasize events — large and small — surrounding the President. In today's media world, Congress is not an equal branch of government.

Practical reasons exist for this imbalance, starting with the obvious one: It's easier to cover a single individual in the White House than it is to follow the 535 in the Senate and House and their committees and subcommittees.

But the problems go deeper than that. The quantity and quality of coverage are affected by institutional traditions and outlooks.

At a time when Congress is changing its leadership and maybe even some of its traditions, the time is right for a major comprehensive study of Congress and the media.

The Freedom Forum is announcing tonight a major, multifaceted, yearlong study of Congress and the media. The effort will be non-partisan and without a preconceived bias for or against the media. It will involve past and present members of the Senate and House, past and present members of the Washington press corps, and editors, publishers and broadcasters from around the country.

The work will be done by all of our major operating programs: The Freedom Forum World Center in Arlington, Va., The Freedom Forum Media Studies Center, The Freedom Forum First Amendment Center, and our newest program, The Freedom Forum Newseum.

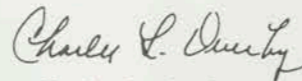
Their combined efforts will yield a comprehensive look at the past, present and future of Congress and the media.

This will not be an ivory tower study. It will emphasize interviews and perspectives of people involved in the daily process. Many participants at this dinner will be asked to offer opinions and recommendations.

The \$1-million initiative will yield material that can be used by Congress, the media and the public: a television series, publications, videotaped conferences, reports, essays, on-line computer conversations, a historical retrospective and a set of recommendations for the future.



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